

Supporting your child in their educational journey

Sec 2 parent's talk:

Subject combination considerations

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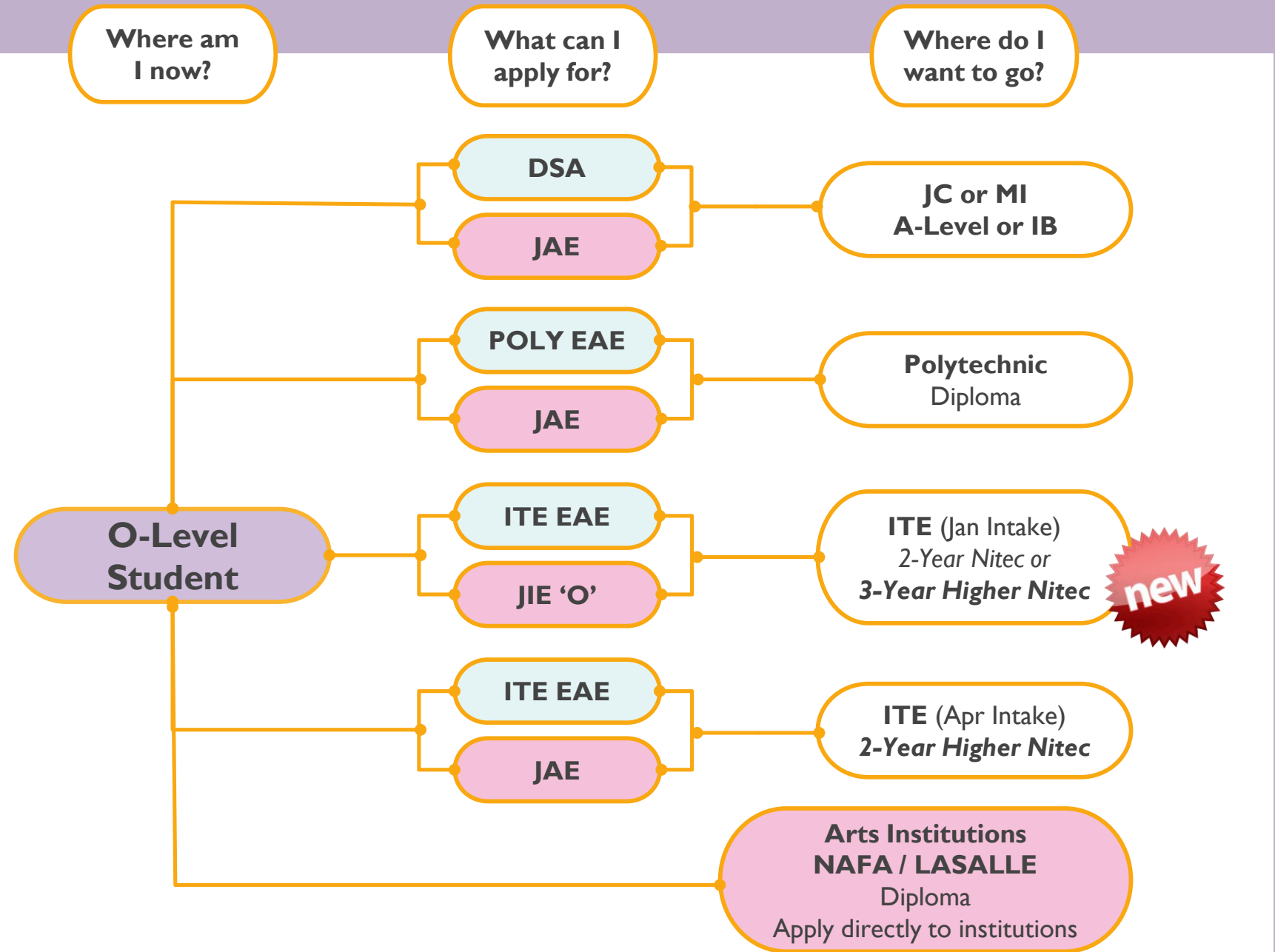


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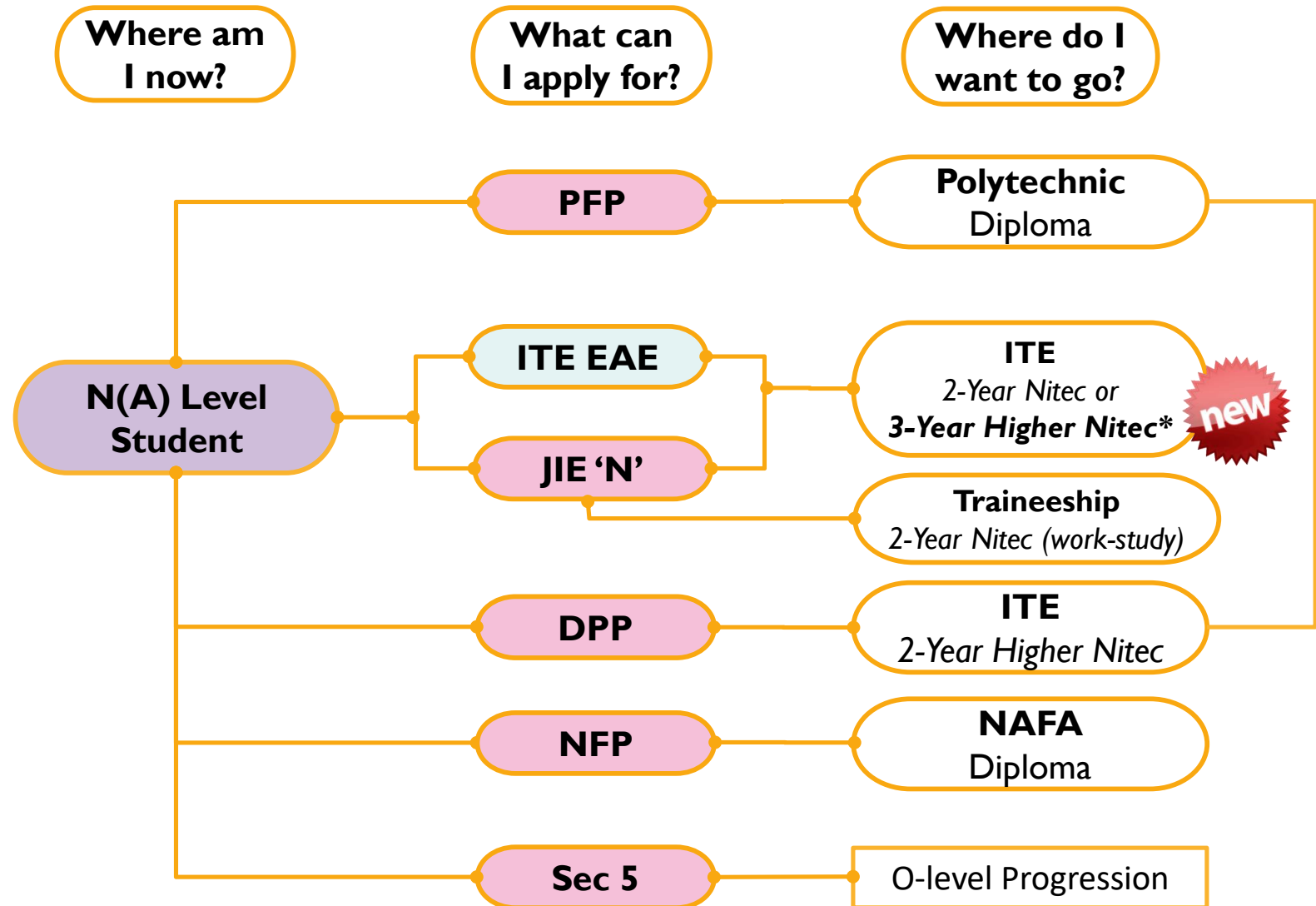


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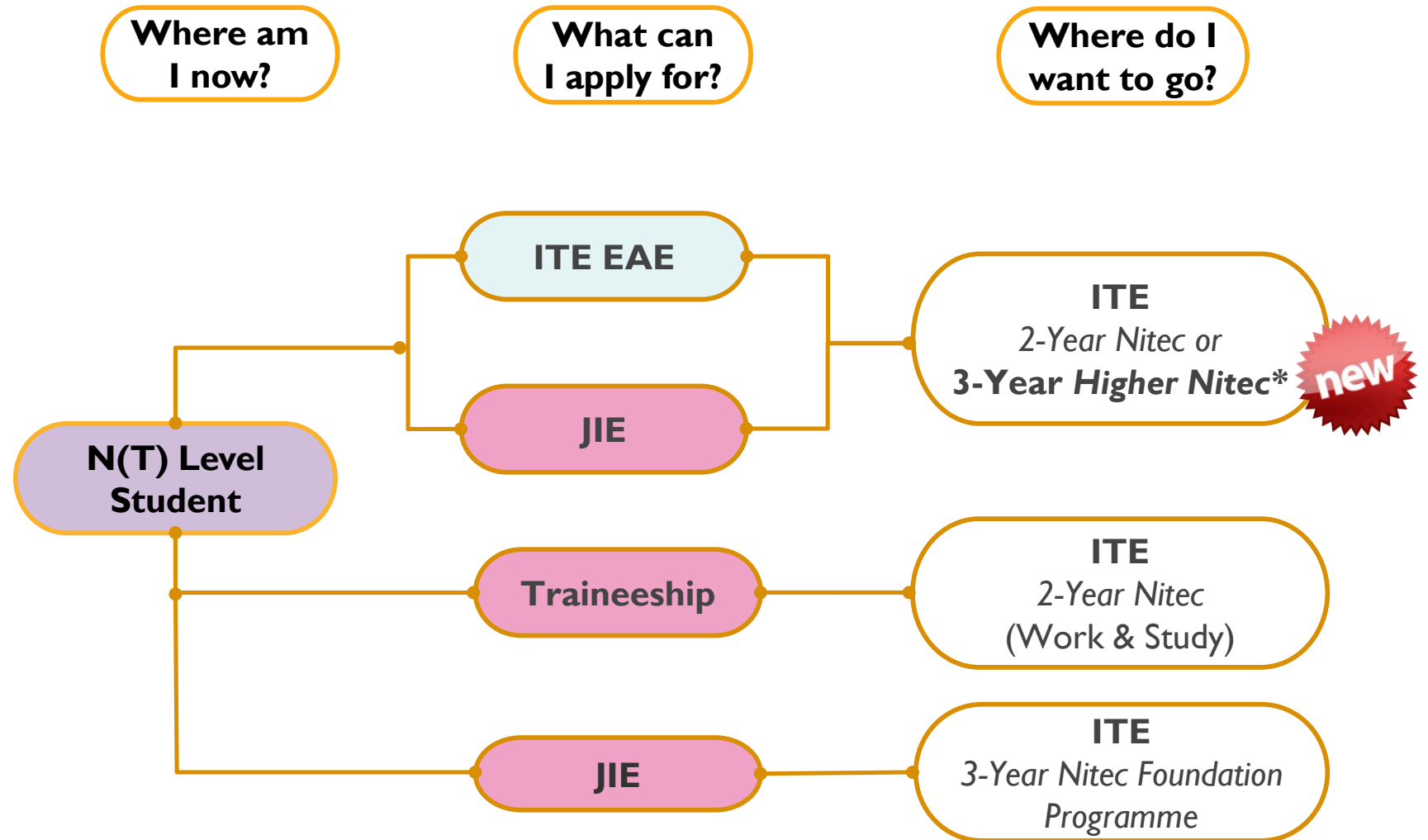


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Admissions exercises and programmes

Explore the different admissions exercises and programmes available to help you gain entry into a junior college, Millennia Institute, polytechnic or ITE.



Learn about the post-secondary educational pathways, admissions exercises and programmes in our Post-Secondary Admissions Exercises booklet.

[Download the Post-Secondary Admissions Exercises booklet](#) (694KB)



<https://www.moe.gov.sg/post-secondary/admissions/>

Pre-University Education

- 18 Junior Colleges: offer a 2-year curriculum, leading to the GCE 'A' Certificate
- 1 Centralised Institute (Millennia Institute): offer a 3-year curriculum, leading to the GCE 'A' Certificate
- The International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma offered by IP schools ACSI and SJI
- Academically rigorous, broad-based education that prepares the student for university education.

Pre-University Education

- Subjects offered at 3 levels of study - Higher 1 (H1), Higher 2 (H2) and Higher 3 (H3)
- Different JCs offer different subject combinations and have their own eligibility guidelines for certain H2 subjects.
- Do check individual JC/CI website for more info (or scan the QR Code for MOE school finder)



Polytechnic Education



- 5 Polytechnics
- About 200 courses, including common entry programmes (business, engineering, ICT, science, design & media).
- 3-year Diploma programme. Practice-oriented curriculum. Focuses on applied learning with industry attachments.
- Equips students with skills and competencies that prepares them for the workforce.
- Allows for progression to university.



Institute of Technical Education (ITE)



- 3 ITE Colleges – East, Central & West
- 6 clusters: Engineering, Design & Media, Electronics & Info-comm, Business & Services, Hospitality, and Applied & Health Sciences
- Equips students with hands-on, industry-relevant skills and prepares them for work
- Allows for progression to Polytechnic Diploma. Also **eligible for Polytechnic EAE (ITE to Polytechnic)**
- Allows for progression to ITE Technical Diploma or Work-Study Diploma



Arts Institutions



- Both institutions offer diploma courses and degrees
- Specialising in design, media, fashion, fine arts, performing arts (music, dance and theatre), arts management and art & music teaching
- Joint alliance to set up the University of the Arts Singapore.

Supporting your child's educational journey

Education & Career Guidance

- To be aware of your interests, personality, skills and values.
- To develop the dispositions of **resilience**, **adaptability** and **lifelong learning** so as to be able to navigate education and career pathways purposefully.



Who am I?

I need to understand myself better. The more I know, the better I will be making informed choices.



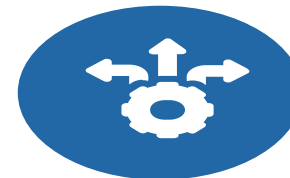
Where do I want to go?

Many pathways are worth taking. I need to explore viable education and career options, set goals and make plans.



How do I get there?

There are no dead ends. I can make informed decisions and develop plans to pursue my aspirations through different routes.



How can ECG support you?

What are the subjects I enjoy or am good at?

- **Languages**

e.g. English, Mother Tongue, Higher Mother Tongue

- **Mathematics and Sciences**

e.g. Math, Additional Math, Biology, Chemistry, Physics

- **Humanities and the Arts**

e.g. Art, Geography, History, Literature, Social Studies

- **Coursework / Other Electives**

e.g. Computing, Design & Technology, Nutrition & Food Science, Principles of Accounts



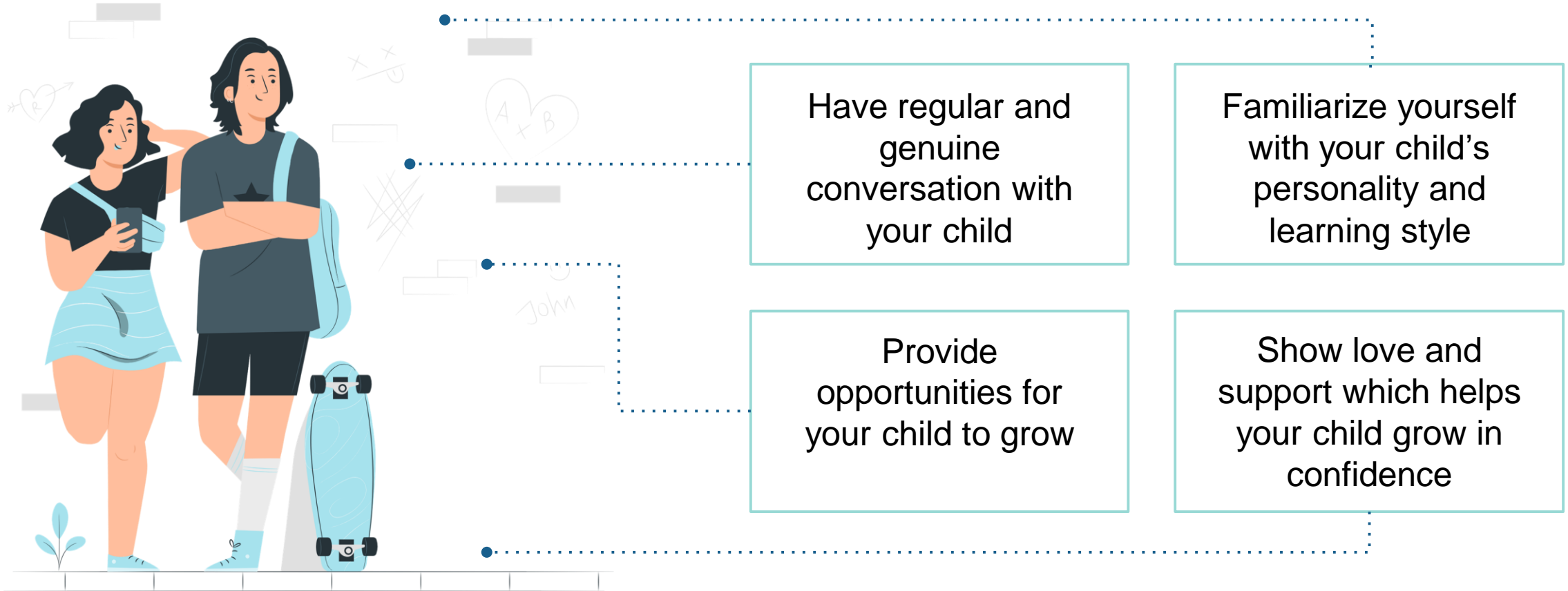
Considerations before choosing a subject combination...

- Do you enjoy several elements in the subject you are interested in?
- Have you reflected and weighed your **interests, personality, strengths** against your choices?
- Have you have discussed the challenges of a subject with a significant other?

Don't Choose a Subject Combination because

- It sounds prestigious
- Many perceive it will lead to a well-paying job
- Because someone else said to choose it

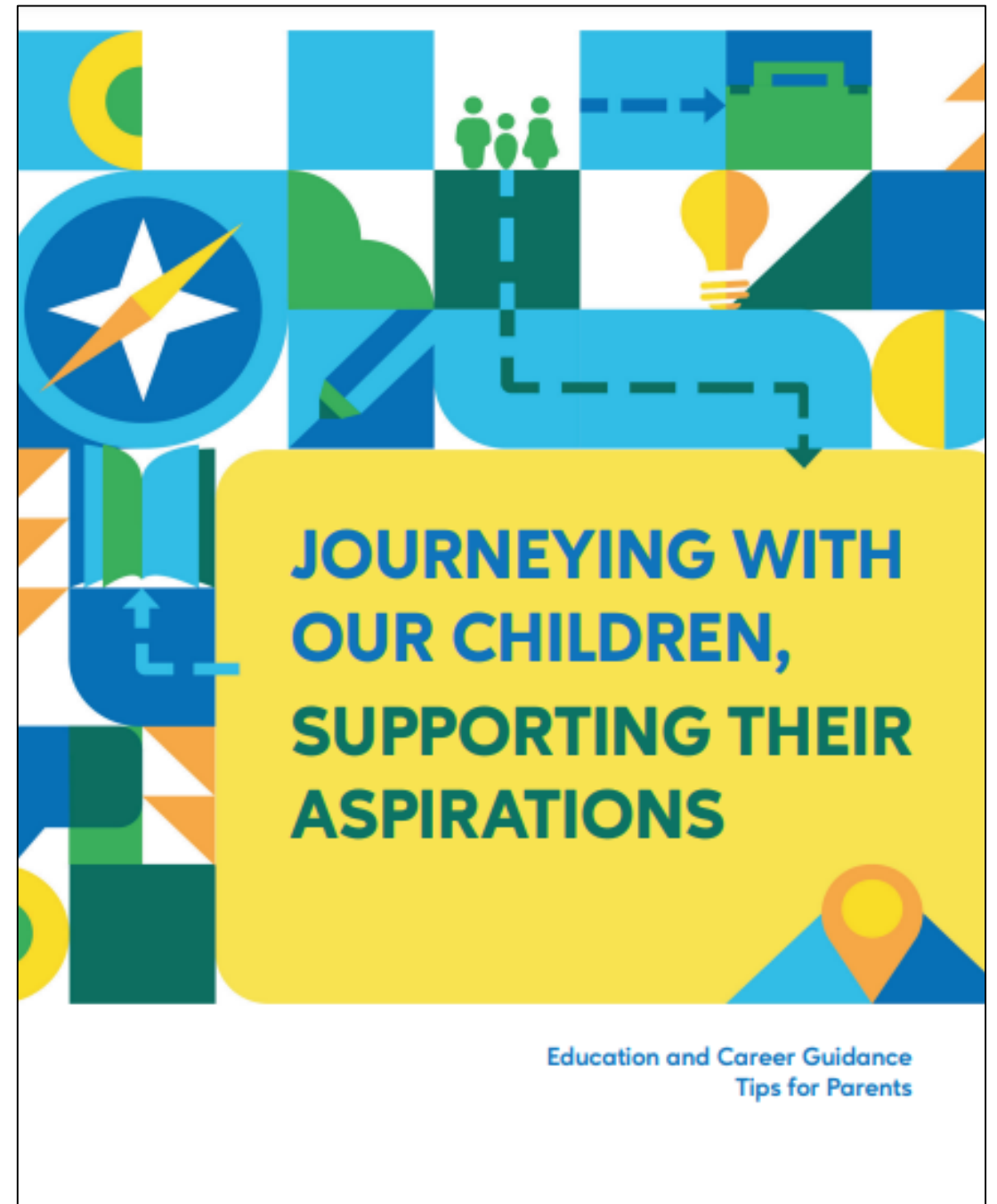
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A parent's guide to education and career guidance



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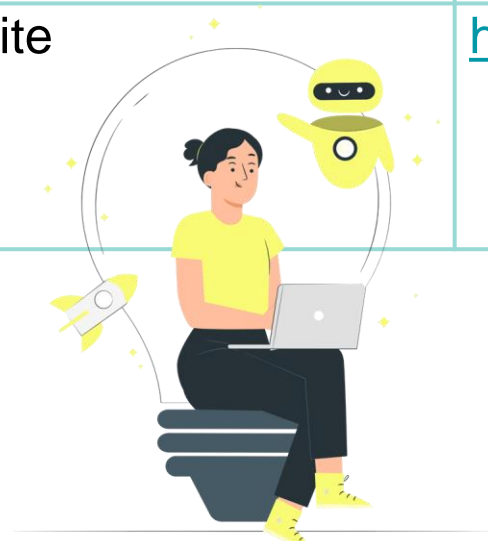
Useful Resources

Website	URL	
Journeying with our Children. Supporting their Aspirations	go.gov.sg/ecg-parent-guide	 <small>https://go.gov.sg/ecg-parent-guide</small>
Overview of Post-Secondary Education Institutions (PSEIs)	https://go.gov.sg/overview-pseis/	
The Next Step Forward (e-book)	https://go.gov.sg/next-step-forward	 <small>https://go.gov.sg/next-step-forward</small>
MySkillsFuture for Secondary School	https://go.gov.sg/mysfsec	 <small>https://go.gov.sg/mysfsec</small>






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MOE Course Finder	https://go.gov.sg/coursefinder	
What's Next (After 'N' / 'O' / 'A' Level)	https://go.gov.sg/whats-next	
Schoolbag Website	https://go.gov.sg/schoolbag	






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Early Admissions Exercise - ITE	https://go.gov.sg/applyeae	
Early Admissions Exercise – Polytechnics	https://go.gov.sg/polyeae	
Direct School Admission – Junior Colleges	https://go.gov.sg/applyjcda	



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Direct Entry to Polytechnic Programme (DPP)	https://go.gov.sg/dpp	
Polytechnic Foundation Programme	https://go.gov.sg/pfp	
NAFA Foundation Programme (NFP)	Foundation NAFA	



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